Eeictrification of villages in Andhra Pradesh

2507. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has sought additional funds from the Central Government for the current financial year for the implementation of the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) which districts of the State are being covered under the scheme in the current fiscal year; and

(d) the details thereof and the implementation schedule?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Andhra Pradesh submitted 22 Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) covering intensive electrification of 26838 already electrified villages in 2 districts of the State involving an outlay of Rs. 781.78 crore, of which 4 project proposals with an outlay of Rs. 160.95 crore for intensive electrification of 5,485 already electrified villages have since been sanctioned.

(c) and (d) As a matter of fact all the 22 districts of the State are covered under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY). As of now, implementation of the scheme during current year covers 4 districts for which DPRs have been sanctioned under the programme. These 4 districts are Vishakhapatnam, Guntur, Ananthpur and Khamman.

The implementation schedule for a project under RGGVY is of 2 years.

New transmission projects

2508. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approved new transmission projects worth Rs. 15,500 crores during the last two years;

(b) whether Government have so far issued any guidelines or notified development of transmission projects through the competitive bidding route; and